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For: NUCLEAR RECEPTOR LIGANDS AND LIGAND BINDING DOMAINS

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### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the following amendments.

### IN THE SPECIFICATION

On Page 1, please delete the following:

#### "ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

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